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1. The Chinese Communist 27 Armored Regiment,¹ with a strength of 1,500 men, has recently moved from Luhsien (N 28-53, E 105-23) to Yunnan, where it is disposed as follows:
 - a. Regimental headquarters is at Tali (N 25-43, E 100-11). YANG T'ai (2799/3141) is commander of the regiment and SHAO Pai-wen (6730/4102/2429) is deputy commander.
 - b. The 1 Battalion, commanded by HSUNG Chao-an (3574/0340/1344), is at Hsiakuan (N 25-34, E 100-12).
 - c. The 2 Battalion, commanded by HSU Hsi-p'ing (6079/1585/1627), is at Paoshan (N 25-07, E 99-09).
 - d. The 3 Battalion, commanded by WANG Ssu-kuang (3769/2488/0342) is at Ch'uhsuing (N 25-02, E 101-34).
2. The Chinese Communist 64 Infantry Division,² with a strength of approximately 3,500 men, has been moved from Tsuni (N 27-42, E 106-55) to Chienshui (N 23-40, E 102-50), Kaiyuan (N 23-44, E 103-10), Mengtzu (N 23-20, E 103-23), and Wenshan (N 23-22, E 104-14).
3. The Thai Autonomous State Army,³ with a strength of 6,000 men, is deployed as follows:
 - a. The headquarters of the army and of the 1 Regiment are at Ch'eli IN 21-58, E 100-50).

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b. The 2 Regiment is at Talo (N 21-38, E 100-03).

c. The 3 Regiment is at Tamenlung.⁴

4. Headquarters of the Chinese Communist 15 Army is at Ningerh (N 23-03, E 101-05)
 5. The 43 Division, 15 Army, is at Chiangch'eng (N 22-36, E 101-49) and
 the 39 Division, 13 Army, is at Fohai (N 21-58, E 100-26).

5. The Yunnan Border Defense Army, a territorial or home guard force, is disposed
 as follows:⁶

a. The 1 Regiment is at Temenglung.⁴

b. The 2 Regiment is at Menglien (N 22-20, E 99-36).

c. The 3 Regiment is at Mongpang.⁷

Comments

1. No 27 Armored Regiment is carried in current assessments of Chinese Communist
 order of battle.

2. The Chinese Communist 64 Division is subordinate to the 22 Army and is
 accepted in the Choushan Islands area of Chekiang. The strength figure
 given would be more appropriate to a regiment; the 64 Regiment, 22 Division,
 8 Army, however, is tentatively accepted in Shansi.

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4. Coordinates were given as N 21-30, E 100-45, Probably the Menglung at
 N 21-35, E 100-40 was intended.

5. The 15 Army has not been in Yunnan since its 44 and 45 Divisions moved to
 Korea in early 1951. The 43 Division is still tentatively carried in Yunnan.

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7. Possibly Mengpan (N 21-44, E 101-39).

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